

Miniball/Basketball

Well done teams for your efforts in the first week of grading games. It was great getting such positive feedback about your new uniforms, and you do look good!

Following the meeting held last night, the teams will remain playing on the evenings stipulated. In order for the organisers to continue running the season support has been called for and people are needed to help ref. Some teams will be allocated duties to help make the evenings run smoothly.

The most important thing is that everyone is aware that balls must not be bounced or passed around while games are going on nor between matches. Teams will have the opportunity to do layups before their game but no-one else is to be on the court. These expectations will be enforced so parents and children are asked to abide by these rules.

Sausages for lunch

Thank you for supporting the sausage sizzle option for Friday lunches. We are fortunate to have the Batger's provide and prepare for this.

Board of Trustees

The Board Selection Committee is pleased to announce the appointment of Julian Dimond to the permanent position of middle class teacher, effective from the beginning of Term 4.

My thanks to Gaye and Mitch for their time and effort being involved in the Selection Committee, along with Education Consultant, Bill Nobel. After a robust selection process we are confident that we have appointed the best applicant for the position.

Alannah Batger – BOT Chair

What's Coming Up At Waitomo Caves School

3 September	Parent Hui
6 September	School Hangi
19/20 September	Snow Day Trips
27 September	Community Assembly
27 September	End of Term 3
9-11 October	Staff Professional Development
14 October	Term 4 begins
16 October	School Photographs

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Term Three 2013

Week 30 August - Five

Dear Parents, Caregivers, Whanau and Friends of the School

Tena Koutou Katoa

Welcome to school Riley Whitehead. Riley started school yesterday after turning five on Wednesday. Welcome to our parent community Leonie and Benn.

Since our last newsletter we have farewelled Katie Townsend. Katie has moved to Canada with family members. Bohdi and Tzar have also moved to their new home and new school in the district. Thank you for your support Dael and Stacey, we wish you well with your new adventures.

Please do not include fruit vines, strings, rings or Mario's in your child's lunch box. These have become an issue for us at school. Thank you.

We have had a number of illnesses do the rounds at school. Many children have had time away recovering from flu, colds and tummy bugs. Remember to be vigil in washing hands regularly, dispose of tissues and cough/sneeze into your elbow pit.

Medications

The school has an administration of medicines procedure. Currently with increased illnesses we encourage parents to ensure that their child or children are well enough to attend school and are able to function.



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We also encourage parents and caregivers to manage medication times to minimise the doses required at school. If medication is needed three times a day we recommend this be done before school, afterschool and before they go to bed.

Dental Services

With the mobile dental clinic about to move on to Te Awamutu it is important those families who missed their appointments to please act promptly. New appointment times were sent home for some families yesterday. If you are unable to attend for any reason please contact the mobile clinic direct on 021487914.

Small Schools Cross Country

Congratulations to all runners at the small schools cross country race last week. Our children ran very well and achieved some great placings.

Year 0-2 Girls: Sage Sandison 3rd, Taneisha Davis 7th, Kate Murchie 8th, Edan Stubbs 9th, Keira Whitehead 13th, Paenga Henry-Wi 15th.

Year 0-2 Boys: Reuben Dimond 1st, Henry Murchie 5th, Alex Burgess 7th, Qaiyaan Hughes 8th, Jack Verry 9th, Caiza Te Kanawa 12th, Ashton Burgess 16th, Lincoln Kohe-Love 18th, Tipene Trent 19th, Kupa Taane 21st.

Year 3 & 4 Girls: Zarah Stubbs 2nd, Siân Dimond 4th, Maddison Gray 5th, Lilly Taane-Edwards 8th, Rebekah MacLellan 16th.

Year 3 & 4 Boys: Thomas Verry 6th, Alex Pitts-Brown 7th, Seth Gray 8th, Max Cornes 9th, Lennox Gray 10th, Tane Barlow 11th, Nikhil Shankar 12th, Tame Henry-Wi 14th, Jevaahn Costar 19th.

Year 5 & 6 Girls: Keely Gray 3rd, Kyah Cornes 8th, Te Rito Hughes 10th.

Year 5 & 6 Boys: Whitira Hepi 3rd, Karne Barlow 7th, Elijah Stubbs 8th, Devon Anderson 11th, John Batger 12th, Rawiri Taane-Edwards 13th.

Year 7 & 8 Girls: Jessie Reardon 1st, Arahia Trent 5th, Tui Davis 7th, Tiana Henry 8th, Angel Taane-Edwards 15th.

Year 7 & 8 Boys: Peta Pitts-Brown 3rd, Jaide Barlow 4th, Blaze Cameron 6th, Te Hurinui Jones 7th, Taurahere Trent 10th.



COP's Cross Country

All of the COP's races were of a high standard with champion runners coming to compete from the district. The races were fast paced. Congratulations Waitomo competitors, the results are:

Year 0-2 Boys: Reuben Dimond 2nd, Henry Murchie 16th.

Year 3 & 4 Girls: Siân Dimond 15th, Maddison Gray 21st.

Year 3 & 4 Boys: Alex Pitts-Brown 19th, Seth Gray 20th, Thomas Verry 22nd.

Year 5 & 6 Boys: Elijah Stubbs 22nd.

Year 7 & 8 Girls: Jessie Reardon 7th.

Year 7 & 8 Boys: Peta Pitts-Brown 11th.

Thank you Portia and Arleyah who played very important roles as marshals last week. Thank you parents for providing transport to get all our children to the venue for both races. Also a special thank you to the fundraising group for organising the food stalls and providing good kai.

Thank you to the HTG Hut, for using their facilities, and Christen Dimond for allowing us to use the farm and a course that is very popular amongst the Otorohanga District.

Parent Hui

The parent hui planned for Tuesday 3 September will begin at 3.15pm sharp. Please review your invitations regarding the agenda and guest speakers. Apologies for the misprint regarding the date, it is Tuesday 3 September.

School Hangi

As part of our cultural, social studies and food technology school curriculum plans we are planning and preparing a hangi for Friday 6 September. If anyone wishes to donate food towards this project it would be much appreciated. We would like to invite you to purchase a meal for \$10 per person which will be available after miniball training at 4.30pm. Money raised will pay for the miniball/basketball uniforms.